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# Michigan Mountain Biking Association Annual Meeting Announcement:

When:

Sunday, February 4, 1996

(Bike swap drop-off and sale begins on at 8:00 am Be There!)

Where:

Springfield Oaks

Activities Center and Fair Grounds

(see map on back of this page!)

What's Going On?

Guest Enthusiast

Keith Bontrager

8:00am-Bike Swap Starts (land managers info/chapter info/maintenance, ride, & trail info)  
9:00am-Pontiac Lake Guest Ride: (meet at Pontiac Lake Trail-head)  
1:00pm-Guest Celebration - Keith Bontrager  
2:00pm-Awards  
4:00pm-Giveaway (must be present to win)

Come celebrate with the winners of the 1995 Championship Points Series as trophies are given out. Cheer for the 1995 volunteers of the year from each chapter of the MMBA. On hand, will be information and current trail maps from the state's 9 MMBA chapters, land managers will be there from local, state and national forests, recreation areas and parks. TCI's cable mountain biking show will be there - Inside Mountain Biking. MMBA member dealers and companies will be displaying their 1996 products, the third annual MMBA bike swap will be taking place, so you can buy/sell bikes and parts with other MMBA riders. A bike will be given away to some lucky MMBA member just for showing up and hundreds of Bike Bags, bike tools, sunglasses and/or other bike paraphernalia will be given away free! All you have to do is be there.

There will also be a guest speaker - see above - (last year at the 1995 MMBA annual meeting, Gary Fisher / Gary Fisher Bikes showed up and shared his joy of biking with a crowd of over 350 bicycle enthusiasts).

The new, cooler, more compact, slimmer, faster, trimmer, quicker, funner...(funner?)...yes down right funner! 1996 MMBA Championship Points Series will be announced. This year there will fewer races, with races covering more of the state and bigger and better sponsors will help the MMBA service all the MMBA members who race with more info, more timely results and a bigger and better prize list!

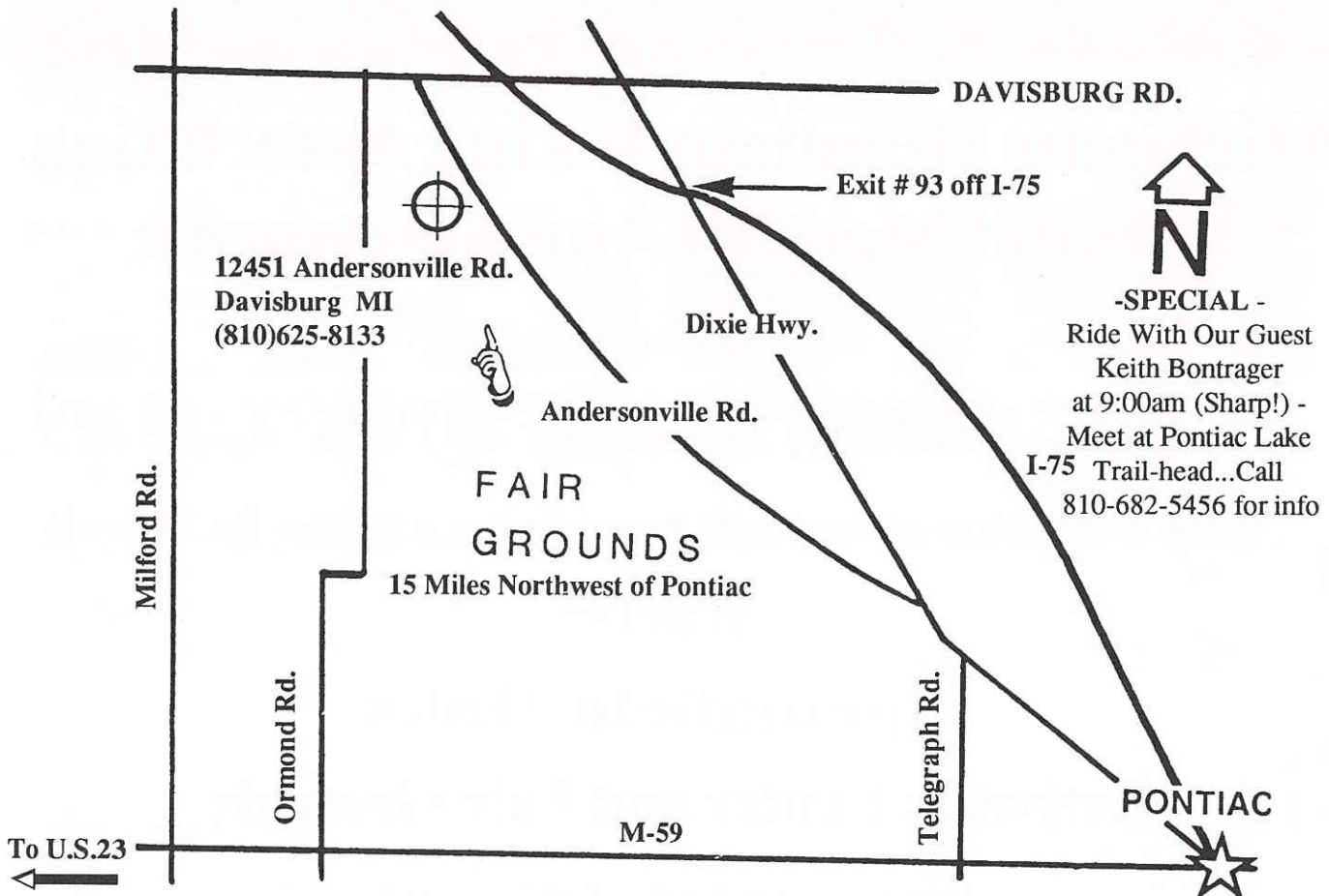
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## Map To 1996 MMBA Annual Meeting



### Agenda 1996 Michigan Mountain Biking Association Annual Meeting

#### 8:00am - 12 noon

- Bike Swap & Sale Begins
- MMBA Chapters, land managers, park representatives and/or promoter informational booths will also be set up
- Gravel Roads (on park property will be open to ride bikes)

#### 1:00 pm

Guest Speakers  
Keith Bontrager



#### 4:30 pm

- Adjournment

#### 2:00pm

- 1996 Annual Membership Meeting
- MMBA Championship Points Series Awards
- Volunteer of the Year Awards
- 4:00 pm
- Bike & Product Give-aways

(Must Be Present To Win)

Pigeon River Country: Real Wilderness - Real Beauty-Real Fun...

## Alone In The Wilderness

By Kendal Smith  
Holy/Flint Chapter

Circumstance left me with a weeks vacation to myself. I had intended to do some trail riding anyway, so spent the weekdays discovering new paths (new for me). I had seen the High Country Pathway in my Trail Atlas of Michigan. HCP is a 70+ mile loop located in the Mackinaw State Forest between Gaylord and Onaway. Seeking a single day ride I settled on the Shingle Mill Pathway in the southwest section of the HCP.

On a hot July morning I started my venture from State Forest campground on the Pigeon River. The Atlas showed three loop choices of 6, 10, or 11 miles. I picked the longest, finally "saddling up" about noon, with a full Camelbak.

Shingle Mill began by following Pigeon River through low banks, meadows, and pine forests. After four miles, appeared the

State Forest Headquarters, an interesting log building, with historic displays, water and restrooms. The receptionist was a little surprised when I reported my solo ride for emergency purposes.

The trail continued a few

more miles into normal "up-north" single track. A river crossing with an apparently popular campground was the last I saw of civilization or humans for several hours. I truly felt I was striking out on my own into the unknown, save for a marked path. Climbing through a cedar forest came my big surprise of the day. Asleep directly on the trail was a young cow ELK! The beast simply looked, without rising, as I pondered what do! As I walked my bike around it (at a respectable distance) the cow eventually stood to grab some breakfast. She never did move from the place I found her.

There were many sights to see and ride through, including a major descent with a head-high dead-fall near the bottom! I came upon a group of teenagers on a back packing trip at the shore of a small lake. They were impressed with my ride and swag (especially the Camelbak). A young man from England and I chatted about my other passion, soccer. The last stretch of the loop was a new boardwalk through a cedar marsh. Excellent!

Just this small loop of the High Country Pathway offered a large variety of terrain, wildlife, and adventure. The whole loop looks to be a great choice for mountain bikers looking for a back-packing trip. Some advice: bring a good insect repellent. Though the trail is well-marked, only the most experienced forester should go without a map and compass. It could be very easy to make a wrong turn and be miles from nowhere, alone in the wilderness.



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## 1996 ANNUAL MEETING GUEST KEITH BONTRAGER

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## Quite World Recreation Makes A Little Noise!

While the trade show controversy raged on last year, two long time sales reps decided to take a hands on approach to promoting bicycling in their territory. Dave Gibson and Bruce Clevenger have been independent reps in the Great Lakes region for 18 years. In this time, they saw little if any bicycle industry money being spent on bicycle promotion. As cyclists, they had ridden many of the mountain bike trails in the state and knew that without some type of funding, several were in danger of closing down. "I read with interest the plan that BIO had, but thought it would be many years before any funding came into Michigan that would directly help our trails," said Clevenger. "So I called up several of the lines we rep and asked if they would put two per cent of sales aside and help us repair Michigan's most heavily used trail, the Potowatomi.

Lone Peak, Velocity and Echo Computers jumped at the chance to participate. The people who run these small companies are bike riders, too, and have a real feel for the sport." Gibson added, "Two percent may not sound like much, but it added up. As competitive as things are, for some of these companies it is a substantial part of their margin. This was a pilot year for us. Next year we hope to get more of our lines to participate and generate more funding."

Gibson and Clevenger went to their accounts and asked if they would like to become a "trail buddy" by selling Velocity, Lone Peak and Echo products. Twenty six dealers participated. "One reason this worked," said Gibson, "Was because the products were good quality and did not have a bike company attached so that all dealers could have access to them. We tried to select things that consumers buy day in and day out." The reps purchased two ads in Michigan Cyclist Magazine encouraging consumers to ask for "trail buddy products" at their favorite bike shop.

John Black from Velocity said, "This was a real win-win project. We figured anything Bruce and Dave were involved with was worth

being in, too. We got our product into several new accounts that now are good customers and we were able to directly contribute to promoting our industry." Gibson and Clevenger printed up small stickers that they put on the packs, computers and cages letting the consumer know that part of the proceeds were going to Michigan trailways. "In some cases, that actually made a difference in which product a customer bought," said said one Southeast Michigan bike dealer. "I liked the fact that dealers could play a role in this without having to keep track of paper work or having the customer fill out a form since we are busy enough as it is."

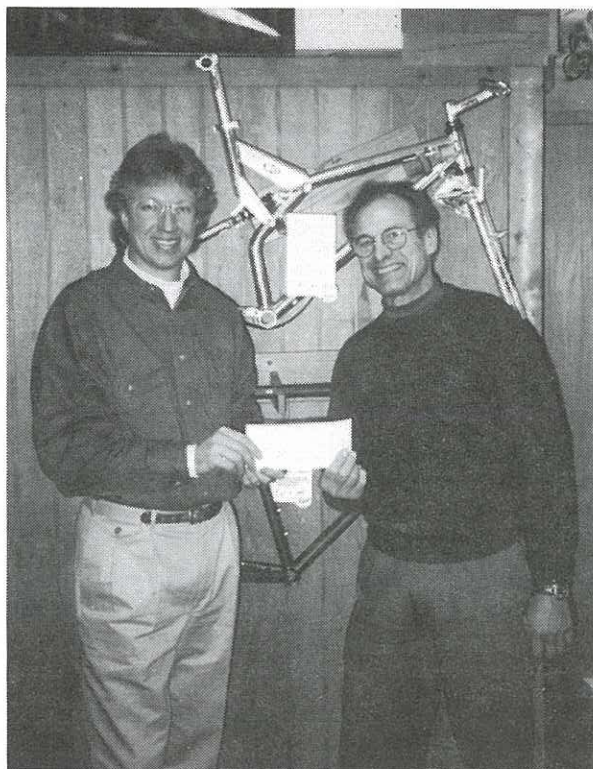
With the first year's program completed, Gibson and Clevenger will be presenting the Michigan Mountain Biking Association (MMBA) with a check for nearly \$1,000. Tom Nell, an officer of the MMBA, said that the money will go directly to trail maintenance next spring on the Potowatomi. "I think the reps, dealers and consumers are onto a good thing," he mused. "This could really become something sizable and beneficial to everyone connected with cycling. Especially those that use the trails."

### BENT RIM BUGLE PUBLISHING INFO

The Bent Rim Bugle (BRB) is published 4 times a year (quarterly) Spring, Summer, Fall and Winter. The BRB is the source for news and information for the Michigan Mountain Biking Association (MMBA). Articles come from MMBA members, MMBA Chapter Presidents, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and other sources. The focus of the BRB is on what is of interest to MMBA members as well as environmental issues, land access, mountain biking events, rides, competition, fun and other activities and information related to the mountain biking.

Editorial contributions and photos are welcomed, but cannot be returned unless accompanied by proper postage. Send contributions to: MMBA/BRB P.O. Box 29, Belmont MI 49306. The BRB also can provide classified ads to MMBA members for free and advertising space to shops and manufacturers. For deadlines and rates contact the address above or call, (616) 785-0120 or AOL E-Mail: Go MMBA@aol.com. (Net: Go\_MMBA@aol.com)

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Bruce Clevenger (left) from Quiet World Recreation, Tom Nell, Treasurer MMBA, one of the keys to the success of the MMBA in the middle. Thank you for the support.

## To Build A Trail...

Below you'll find a picture of the first work day and a few names of MMBA volunteers who showed up throughout the summer to help build the NEW TRAIL at Ionia State Recreation Area last summer. So far, about 6 miles of trail are in, next summer there are plans to put in about 5 more miles of trail. You'll also find some preliminary project for next year from some other chapters of the MMBA...get involved! Need info call: 616-785-0120.

**Thank you volunteers!**



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Village Bike Shops will be sponsoring a trail development/maintenance day on May 12 at Ionia Rec. Area, stop in the shops for more info!



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### MMBA Responsibility Code

1. Always yield the right of way to other trail users.
2. Slow down and pass with care (or stop).
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4. Stay on designated trails.
5. Don't disturb wildlife or livestock.
6. Pack out litter.
7. Respect public and private property.
8. Know local rules.
9. Plan ahead.
10. Avoid riding in large groups.
11. Minimize impact.
12. Report incidents of trail impasse to local park authorities.

### Your Help Is Needed This Spring:

**Potawatomi Chapter:** The goal is to add 10 - 15 miles to the existing trail by developing abandoned Boy Scout Trails at Brighton Recreation Area/Add 4 miles to existing trail to connect Bruin Lake Campground to Pinckney Recreation Area Trail.

**Western Michigan Chapter:** Installing Groundmaster, conveyor belting, and general upkeep of heavily used portions of the Deep Lake Trail/Develop additional miles to the 4 miles already built at Bass River State Recreation Area/Repair rain washed section of trail at the Cannonsburg State Game Area trail/Help with Yankee Springs Time-Trail this spring to raise money for the trail.

**Holly/Flint Chapter:** Erect trail head sign at Holdridge Lake Trail/Reclaim lost east portion of trail

**Southwestern Chapter:** Help with Fort Custer trail benefit race in April

**Northern Chapter:** Signing Big-M Ski Area Trail (about a 46 mile loop)/North Country Trail maintenance.

Check with your local for your chance to contribute to the trail....

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2. Sign up a (1) new member.
3. You send your name, the new member's info and membership \$ to the BRB editorial office and you will win a prize\* Send it to:  
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### Free Stuff Membership - Official Form

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## Dr. T.K. Lawless Trail

(Article of note from NIMBA)

If you don't know already from personal experience, the Lawless Trail is occasionally closed. You may have gone up there expecting to have a good ride and instead, come home ride-less because the trail wasn't open.

The main reason for the trail being closed is because of trail conditions. Simply put, they don't want riders on the trail when it is too wet. The park manager's judgment will govern when the trail will be open or closed, so you might save yourself a trip by

calling ahead. Their number is 616 476-2730. Call it and listen to the recording.

The trail had been closed in November because of deer hunting season and they are naturally concerned for the safety of riders. As of December 1st, the trail will be open as conditions allow. Even if you disagree with the park about closing the trail, please respect their intentions. They want to preserve the trail. And if you run into one of the park managers, tell 'em thanks for making the land available for a great trail.

## The MMBA Gets Yet Another Award & Recognition In the Midwest Region...

Two major Chicago biking organization received an International Mountain Bicycling Association (IMBA) Model Program Award at the association's board meetings last week in Chicago. Recreation for Individuals Dedicated to the Environment or RIDE and Trail users Rights Foundation, or TURF were honored for volunteer trail work in Illinois and Wisconsin parks and forest preserves particularly for forcing trail access issues into the political arena. Only three other groups in the nation were similarly honored.

RIDE announced its own slate of awards, including Cook County Commissioner Herb Schumann, point man on forest preserve trail and conservation issues, Laurel Ross of the Nature Conservancy; Equestrian Jeanette Falk of the Illinois Trail Riders Association; Tony Ponziano of Cook County Forest Preserve District; Tim Galvin and David Hammor of Wisconsin's Kettle Moraine State Park; Keith Mistrik of Chicago Area Bicycle Dealers Association; Cliff Johnson of Indiana Bicycle Coalition; John Siwinski of TURF; Andy Swartz of Wisconsin Off-Road Bicycling Association; Gary Crandall of Chequamegon Area Mountain Bike Association and Dwain Abramowski of the Michigan Mountain Biking Association.

Representative, Dwain Abramowski, was present to receive the award from RIDE on behalf of the Michigan Mountain Biking Association volunteers in conjunction with attendance at the CABDA (Chicago Area Bicycle Dealers Association), where the needs of the MMBA were shared with bike dealers and bike industry from around the country.

## Put Your Head In Here!\*

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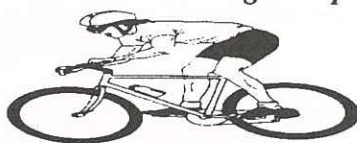
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The Members of the **Holly/Flint** Chapter invite you to join them for this year's **Carry Nation Back Roads Bike Tour** will take place on **September 7, 1996**. For more **information** on one of the most fun group rides in the state call the **Holly/Flint** chapter of the MMBA at:

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## International Dirt - IMBA Info

### IMBA-MMBA Will Meet In Arizona

(portions of this story are reprinted from the November issue of IMBA Trail News)

One hundred North American leaders in trail cycling advocacy and management will gather in the Arizona desert, January 11-14, 1996, at the IMBA Trail Cycling Summit. This unprecedented event will bring together 60 IMBA activists and close to 40 representatives of land management agencies, other trail-user groups, environmental organizations, and cycling and outdoor recreation publication representatives.

The event is being held at Biosphere II, the famous environmental research facility located 35 miles northeast of Tucson, in the desert near Oracle. Conference attendees will stay at the Inn at the Biosphere and have time to ride the nearby Arizona Trails, as well as paths in the Santa Catalina Mountains.

The conference schedule is still being finalized, but the theme is empowerment. The goal is to share the best strategies of mountain biker education, management, and trail construction and maintenance, so that mountain bike advocates can become more effective in promoting off-road cycling in their home regions. Among the topics on the preliminary agenda are:

- Working with land managing agendas
- Building successful mountain bike advocacy organizations
- Setting IMBA's agenda & strengthening its network
- Reducing trail-user conflicts
- Working with the media

IMBA is very lucky to have its Arizona representative, Steve Anderson, serving as conference coordinator. Anderson has been working with IMBA's staff and board to shape a four-day agenda that is varied, inspirational, and fun. IMBA is currently working to arrange conference sponsorship toward the goal of reducing the cost of participation. Our goal is to defray the cost of food and lodging for all participants and provide the lowest possible airfares. "It's too bad we have to limit participation to about 100," said IMBA Executive Director, Tim Blumenthal, "because all mountain bike advocates would benefit from the information that will be shared at this conference. But, this is the number that we can handle, logistically and financially. We'll have information available for all our members following the event. Also, we plan to host additional conferences." IMBA-affiliated clubs who wish

## The *Holly / Flint* Chapter of the MMBA

### New IMBA logo

IMBA's new logo was designed by O'Shaughnessy-Parr of San Diego, California, the agency that produced our "Ante Up" ads. You can look forward to seeing it on IMBA hats, t-shirts and stickers.

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to send a representative are invited to contact IMBA's main office immediately with their nominations, but once again, space is extremely limited.

Fortunately, Michigan will be represented at this important conference in January as arrangements are being made between IMBA, Trek USA, RIDE Inc. and the board of the Michigan Mountain Biking Association to send the MMBA Executive Director, Dwain Abramowski, to the conference at the invitation of IMBA. If you, your shop and company would like to help defray the cost of sharing Michigan's trail and land access successes with the rest of the nation, please contact the MMBA at, **616-785-0120**. Our strength as a state organization will be enhanced by sharing our volunteer's efforts on a national basis and can be used as a springboard for further support for our local trail work.

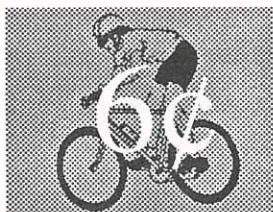


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## IMBA Membership Application Form

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The study concluded that healing began after five minutes and reached its peak at 25 minutes. Icing for longer than 30 minutes can cause damage to the tissue and nerves. The best way to apply ice to an injured joint fill a gallon-sized bag with crushed ice, wrap it around the entire joint and strap it tightly in place with an elastic bandage. *American Health*

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# 1996 CHEQUAMEGON FAT TIRE FESTIVAL ENTRY FORM

**PHOTOCOPIES ARE ACCEPTABLE**  
Please Note: Registration is limited to 2,500! No entries accepted after the limit is reached. In 1995 we filled completely by early June. Don't delay - enter early!

Name		FIRST		INITIAL		LAST	
Address							
City							
State							
Zip							
Apt. No.							
Birthdate							
Age on 9/14/96							
Phone							
Sex M <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/>							
Tandem classes offered in all events. Each must register. Please indicate tandem partner's name.							

**NO REFUNDS  
OR TRANSFERS OF  
ENTRIES PERMITTED  
FOR ANY REASON**  
Event changes are allowed  
up to September 1, ONLY if  
requested in writing.

## BE SURE TO CHECK WHICH RACES YOU ARE DOING!!!!

PLEASE CHECK BOXES:

**Saturday, September 14, 1996**

☐ Chequamegon 40 (must be 18 or older)  
or  
☐ Short & Fat 16 mile (must be 12 or older)

ENTRY FEE: **\$37\***

**Sunday, September 15, 1996**

☐ Rough Stuff Rendezvous (bicycle orienteering)  
or  
☐ Cable Criterium (lap race)

ENTRY FEE: **\$16\***

**Save money and enter under**

☐ FESTIVAL FEE ENTRY

ENTRY FEE: **\$45\***

*Includes entry in Saturday and Sunday events and a chance for a drawing for an off-road bike. You MUST check the festival fee entry AND one race for Saturday and one race for Sunday in the above boxes.*  
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☐ Please consider me for a preferred start

A limited number of race bibs will be designated for a front row preferred start position in the Chequamegon 40 and Short & Fat. After the registration limit of 2,500 is filled, the Festival will select the participants who qualify for those positions. Top men, women and tandem finishers from the previous year will automatically qualify. Others must submit recent race results, press clippings or a typed resume of their cycling accomplishments to be considered for the front row positions. The decision of the race officials is final in selecting the preferred start positions.

**PERSONAL PHOTO IDENTIFICATION AND CONFIRMATION CARD  
REQUIRED TO PICK UP REGISTRATION MATERIALS**

In consideration of the acceptance of my application for entry in the Chequamegon Fat Tire Festival, I hereby waive, release and discharge any and all claims for damages for death, personal injury or property damage which I may have, in which may hereafter accrue to me, as a result of my participation in said event. This release is intended to discharge in advance the promoters, the sponsors, the Chequamegon Fat Tire Festival, Inc., the promoting clubs, the officials and any involved municipalities or other public entities (and their respective agents and employees), from and against any and all liability arising out of or connected in any way with my participation in said event, even though that liability may arise out of negligence or carelessness on the part of the person(s) or entities mentioned above.

I further understand that serious accidents occasionally occur during bicycle racing, and that participants in bicycle racing occasionally sustain mortal or serious personal injuries, and/or property damage, as a consequence thereof. Knowing the risks of bicycle racing, nevertheless, I hereby agree to assume those risks and to release and hold harmless all of the persons or entities mentioned above who (through negligence or carelessness) might otherwise be liable to me (or my heirs or assigns) for damages.

It is further understood and agreed that this waiver, release and assumption of risk is to be binding on my heirs and assigns.

Signature of entrant \_\_\_\_\_ Today's date \_\_\_\_\_

Team affiliation \_\_\_\_\_ Fee amount \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of parent or guardian of minor (if under 18) \_\_\_\_\_

Should we be aware of any special medical conditions? \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENTAL CONSENT TO TREAT A MINOR WARRIOR**  
(must be filled in and signed if entrant is under 18 years old)

The undersigned parent(s) or guardian(s) of \_\_\_\_\_ (minor) hereby consent(s) to Chequamegon Fat Tire Festival, Inc. and its designated agents rendering first aid treatment to the above minor if such first aid treatment is required during the race. In the event that first aid treatment is required during the race, the undersigned release(s) Chequamegon Fat Tire Festival, Inc. and its agents from any liability and claims arising out of the provision of the emergency first aid treatment rendered during the race.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_ Parent or Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable and send entry blank to:**  
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## A Special Thank You!

This organization was hit hard financially by the increasing needs of attention to land access, trail development and statewide organizational issues. As was stated in the last BRB some "Up-date" mailings had to be shortened or dropped in order to make the 95 budget. **However, contact with land managers was not compromised and in many cases increased.**

Through the cooperation of promoters, bike shops, industry and members, the MMBA has remained visible in the decision-making processes of those who oversee our land. In this issue of the BRB, you'll note that virtually each page has a sponsor. This is because though we've kept our trail-related activity at the highest level ever, the MMBA had to find a different means to put out the latest issue of the BRB - hence, the page sponsors. As you read this issue of the BRB you'll note that these page sponsors have gone above and beyond the call of duty to be a member of the MMBA, and have put yet another level of support behind you, the rider - by supporting the BRB. The BRB is the vehical of MMBA, members, land managers and the mountain biking industry to share what's going on out on the trail. It has always been the intent of the BRB to share what's happening, by leaving its editorial doors open to you - MMBA members, land managers and/or industry. Without the support of these sponsors this open forum would not happen.

**Please remember that the words, thoughts and opinions expressed in the BRB are not necessary those of the sponsors.** On the other hand, you have a responsibility to make sure that if you have something to say about mountain biking, land access and/or mountain biking related topics send it in to the BRB. Your thoughts and ideas on trail development, maintenance and mountain biking fun is what the BRB is about. **Once again thank you to all our member shops, promoters and/or bicycle industry members listed on the last two pages. Also, thank you to the 10% Club shops and all those who sponsored a page in this issue of the BRB.** Timely land access information and your thoughts and ideas can only be shared with others because the page sponsors went the extra mile down the trail of responsibility for mountain biking.

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**A REMINDER TO ALL MMBA MEMBERS: ALL THE SHOPS/MANUFACTURERS ON THIS PAGE ARE SPECIAL. THEY SUPPORT YOUR EFFORTS ON THE TRAIL AND IN THE MMBA POINTS SERIES. THEY DESERVE YOUR**

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October 31, 1995

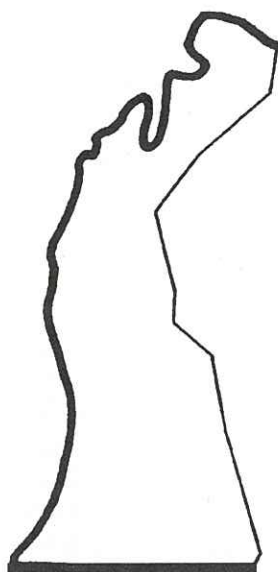
Senator Carl Levin  
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Detroit MI 48226

Dear Senator Levin,

My husband and I are senior citizens who are NOT writing you about Social Security or Medicare. Although those are important benefits to us, our concern is the North Country Trail and more generally that trails be open to mountain biking.

Several years ago we began mountain biking on local trails in West Michigan and have extended our rides to Northern Michigan trails. We see lots of responsible young folks riding, bikers who are considerate and responsible towards hikers. We have heard that there are occasional "wild" kids on trails but we haven't encountered them. Our point is: Please keep the North Country Trail open to mountain bikes and encourage the National Park Service to follow the example of the U.S. Forest Service in opening nature trails to biking. Mountain biking is the fastest growing sport in America and its enthusiasts deserve land access. We do not deny teenagers a drivers license just because a few teenagers behave irresponsibly. The great majority of bikers are sensitive to environmental issues, that is why we are out on the trail!

Sincerely  
J. & B. Milroy



## Some Thoughts On The North Country Trail As A Management Plan Is Worked Out By The US Forest Service

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### WHAT THE MMBA NEEDS TO SERVE YOU BETTER:

1. Each chapter needs a member to print and mail a postcard once a month to local members, listing Chapter related MMBA activities.
2. The MMBA needs people to attend MMBA Points Series Races to sign up members, take questions and forward them to appropriate MMBA officers, and to talk about what the MMBA does and has done.
3. In the summer not a month and in some cases, not a week goes by where there is not an MMBA trail maintenance activity going on somewhere in our state. Call the numbers above and get involved. Your riding depends on it!

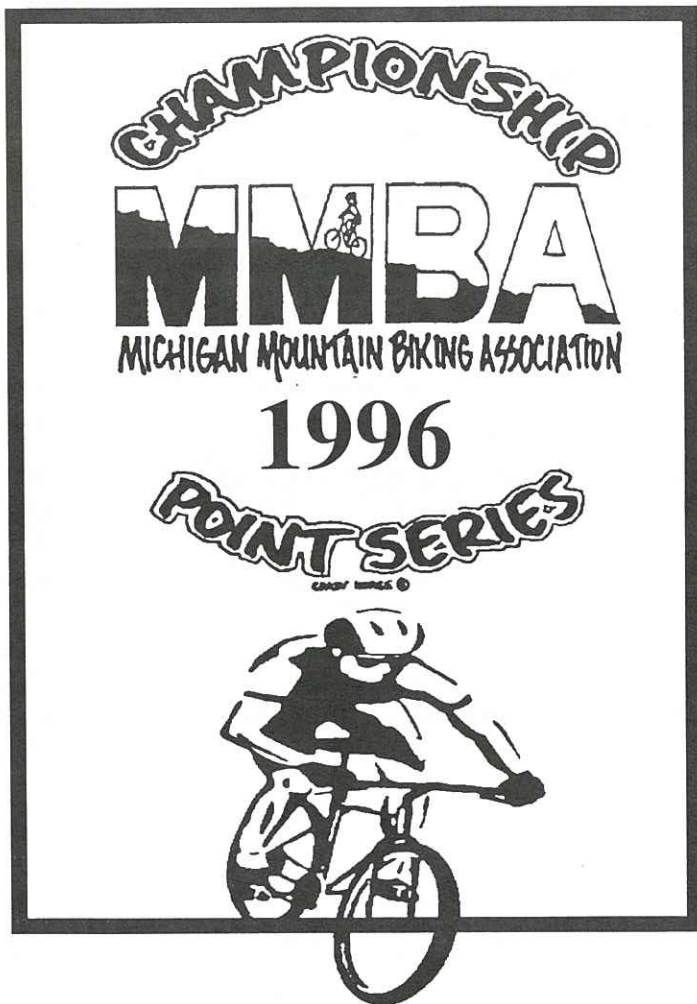
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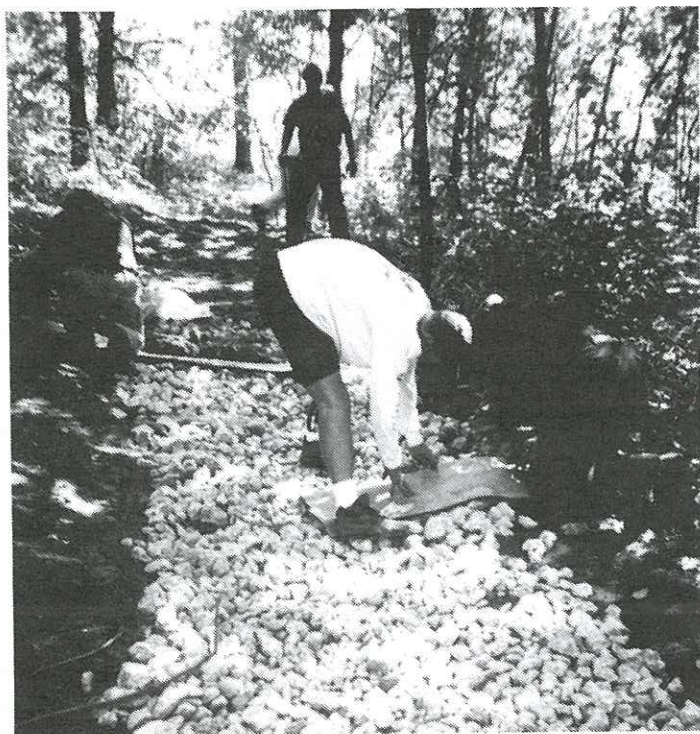
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meeting. This year there  
will fewer races, with  
races covering more of  
the state and bigger and  
better sponsors will help  
the MMBA service all  
the MMBA members  
who race with more  
info, more timely results  
and a bigger and better  
prize list!**



Members of the Southwestern Chapter of the MMBA prepare the trail this past fall for whatever mother nature might throw at the trail for the spring riding season and one of the earlier points series events of the year. Picture by David Brown

## **:ATTENTION: WOMBATS WANT-A-BE'S Get Ready To Be!**

A Michigan Chapter of the **WOMBATS** (which means...Women On Mountain Bikes And Tea Society) is now forming (through MMBA member shop Prestige Cycles in Clinton). All you Freds out there, can take some time out and do some trail maintenance or something, as the women in Michigan get together and keep the other half of mountain biking enthused (15 members strong already). Want info? Contact:

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# The Southwest

## Chapter of the MMBA

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# The Results Are In!

## 1995 MMBA Championship Points Series Results\*

PLACE NAME POINTS

### Beginner Junior Men 14 & Under

1	Hendershot, Jorel	346
2	Reddy, Joey	316
3	Ransome, Matt	304
4	Warners, Jim	284
5	Punches, Eric	250
6	Fisher, Ryan	191
7	Wessell, J. B.	156
8	Glass, John	125
9	Bruce, Jimi	115
10	Matter, John	96
11	Daly, Jay	57
12	Punches, Jason	48
	Carpenter, Jeff	

### Beginner Junior Men 15-18

1	Graham, Derek	324
2	Patton, Jeffrey	321
3	Palazzolo, Joe	272
4	Piziali, Brett	233
5	Williams, Brain	216
6	Bassett, Chris	164
7	Scheiderer, Jayson	154
8	Larson, Shane	150
9	Anderson, Matt	100
10	Peck, Tom	88
11	Moutard II, Joseph	75
12	Klepetka, Michael	66
13	Lien, Ben	63
14	Willard, Dan	27
15	Joseph, Ryan	25
16	Gere, Phillip	23
	Bray, Tyson	
	Lock, Dan	
	Merchant, Jon-Paul L.	
	Owens, Jim	

### Beginner Master Men 45 & Over

1	Vanderwielen, Adrian	325
2	Horton, David R	312
3	Hendershot, Ronn	187
4	Estes, Randy	181
5	Larson, Robert J	141
6	Derr, Bill	81
7	Macpetrie, Doug	60
8	Kadiec, Ron	59
9	Reiter, John	28
10	Emmett, David C	25
10	Geiger, John	25
	Agar, Brian	
	Kyser, Chris	

Top 3 finishers in each class will receive their award at the 1996 Annual Meeting on February 4, 2:00pm at Oaks Activities Center. See Map on page 2.  
See you there to celebrate your efforts!

Merchant, Robert L  
Robrahn, Ronald

### Beginner Senior Men 19-24

1	Cadreau, Jason	329
2	Dorr, Pat	321
3	Malec, Shawn	317
4	Ketcham, Matthew	306
5	Burke, Ken	156
6	Luberda, Troy	150
7	Hennine, Aaron J	107
8	Martinez, Lupe	102
9	Cranston, Joe	100
10	Boks, Michae	175
11	Jannette, Robert	69
12	Aubert, Jon	58
13	Davis, Justin	57

14 Balfour, Eddie 26  
15 McVety, Jason 25

Gumz, Kevin  
Israel, Raj  
Kadiec, Shawn  
Smigelski, Jeffrey  
Tatman, Dan  
Zimmerman, Scott

### Beginner Senior Men 25-29

1	Griffin, James	370
2	Karasinski, David G	318
3	Pasanen, Sean	308
4	Massey, Michael	283
5	Ryska, Jason	277
6	Daniel, Jeff	179
7	Welsh, Tim	161

\*All scores listed are as accurate as possible based on the information the promoters provided. Some promoters supplied the MMBA with missing information, erroneous information and/or improper classifications. If you have a question about the results put your question in writing and mail it to:

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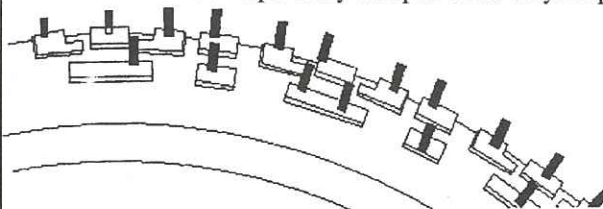
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8	Boersma, Don	157
9	Ward, James	156
10	Dewell, Todd M	143
11	Coy, Rob	131
12	Kurmas, Stan	127
13	Putt, Paul	103
14	Dooley, Brian	60
15	Hanna, Greg	55
16	Michmerhuizen, Marshall	50
17	Elsie, Doug	45
18	Farmer, Bryan	37
18	Townsend, C G	37
20	MitKaff, William	36
21	Reinders, Dan	26
22	Wolfe, James S	24
23	Crosslin, David W	23
23	Friend, William	23
23	Garan, Steve	23
26	Farrington, James	21
26	Merritt, Dominique	21
26	Seflic, Matt	21

Foerster, David  
Gagnon, Kevin S  
King, Charles  
McDermott, Christopher L  
Oxford, Frank  
Pennington, Dan  
Valerius, Matthew  
Wagner, Neil  
Watson, Robert  
Williams, Matthew J

#### Beginner Senior Men 30-34

1	Keffer, Tim	427
2	Quist, Jack W	391
3	Jones, Danny	376
4	Faber, Joe C	371
5	Murray, Robert	337
6	Hamzik, George E	310
7	Williams, Christopher A	293
8	Geerligs, Terry	292
9	Laroe, Kevin	279
10	Shoemaker, Jamie	260
11	Rogowski, Herbert	241
12	Lining, Thomas P	232
13	Swan, Will	218
14	Fabits, Timothy	209
15	Oliveira, Gary	189
16	Scurr, Robin	187
17	Gregory, Geoffe	156
18	Kalina, Curtis	141
19	Anderson, Howard	132
20	Parkinson, Todd	106
21	Ehl, Steve	97
22	Kalina, Richard	80
23	Collins, Dennis	79
24	Trevarrow Jr, James	74
25	Sankowski, Russ	70
26	Sheffield, Bryon	68
27	Huntington, Aaron	66
28	Kleinhenz, Jerry	56

29	Singles, David	
30	Ryan, Steve	
31	Wooden, Russell Todd	
32	Claeys, Donald D	
33	Rozegnal, John	
	Cesar, Guevara	
	Dobrasco, Dennis	
	Hasenmyer, Carl	
	Helsel, Kirk	
	Leonard, David W	
	Martin, David C	
	Server, Jay	

#### Beginner Vetran Men 35-44

1	Rivamonte, James A	374
2	Caruso, Billy	352
3	Schmid, Jim	340
4	Spillers, Harry	338
5	Roe, Gordon	305
6	Goddard, Jeremy	304
7	Miller, Duane	285
7	Rytlewski, Paul G	285
9	Bracewell, Jim	267
10	Rowan, Robert	175
11	Bates, Daniel	153
12	Massey, Dennis	124
13	Nugent, Tom	76
14	Krupa, Doug	74
15	Stanley, Bill	73
16	Stewart, Andrew	56
17	Granath, Jerry	45
18	Blais, James	27
19	Carter, Neal	25
19	Kerbyson, Kevin	25
21	Armstrong, Kris	24
22	Elliot, Mark	22
	AlbusDDS, Dr. Mark	
	Asteriou, Mark	
	Clearwater, Jeff	
	Gere, Douglas	
	Hull, Donald J	
	Lewis, Scott	
	Murphy, Daniel V	
	Siedlik, Paul	

#### Beginner Women 15-29

1	Goddard, Lucy	320
2	Murray, Marcia	314
3	Berlin, Tanya E	308
4	Bradley, Alecia	173
5	Magnuson, Holly	115

6	Hausbeck, Shari	69
7	Buerman, Stephanie	56
8	Worthington, Christine	48
	Gagnon, Colleen A	
	Jerrell, Laura Diane	
	Koefod, Melissa	
	McCaffree, Alison Dale	
	Murdock, Kristiva	

#### Beginner Women 30 & Over

1	Vernon, Sally	325
2	Miller, Nancy	229
3	Jarski, Lauri	141
4	Samson, Julie	130
5	Kyser, Joellen	80
6	Tryon, Deb	63
7	Stanley, Kathleen	61
8	Carter, Rita	29
9	Szarowicz, Suzetia	27
	Sofferin, Donna Jo	

#### Elite Men

1	Quiring, Scott	2506
2	Meyers, John	2468
3	Broderick, Tom	2177
4	Weinert, Jeff	2100
5	Smith, Brian	2017
6	Hansen, Steve	2007
7	Difalco, Tim	1866
8	Hibner, Brad	1768
9	Gietzen, Craig	1723
10	Gillespie, Dan	1643
11	Cramer, Mark	1485
12	Daly, Matt	1473
13	Schut, Chad	1399
14	Pasanen, Paul	1306
15	Zbawiony, Michael	1259
16	Camp, Don	1183
17	Ferguson, Mike	1083
18	Kalar, Mike	794
19	Buta, Kent	764
20	Fritsch, Joe	325
21	Shireman, Michael J	218
	Fredette, Joel	
	Wester, Matt	

#### Expert Senior Men 24 & Under

1	Matter, Brain	1254
2	Malarz, Jakub	1112
3	Patton, Dave	1048

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Meet at Pontiac Lake Trail-head 9:00am (Sharp!) - ....SEE COVER AND PAGE 2 FOR TIMES AND INFO!

4	Gardulski, P	922
5	Main, Chris	757
6	Pekrul, Bob	703
7	Tyszka, Benjamin	587
8	Kolarik, John	436
9	Hart, Scott	434
10	Ridley, Matt	383
11	Mathews, Ryan	312
12	Funk, Joel	303
13	Faes, Gene	145
14	Vander Meer, David	81
	Hitchcock, Tony	
	Van Eerden, Chris	

#### Expert Senior Men 25-29

1	Johnson, Curtis	1172
2	Nord, Eric	1164
3	Glynn, Jeff	1140
4	Barnes, James	1083
5	Blume, Rob	1021
6	Dougherty, Jason	1002
7	Schneider, Larry	945
8	Mathis, James	890
9	Chung, Bryan	858
10	Gardulski, Mike	850
11	Tuitel, Don	828
12	Walsworth, Todd	691
13	Wiswell, Jack	657
14	Augugliaro, John B.	604
15	Massey, Dave	579
16	Kotwicki, Dan	564
17	Kosik, Dale	493
18	Barabas, Zoltan	429
19	Greene, Brian	388
20	Gomez, James M	338
21	Wilson, W Ward	194
22	Smigiel, Stephen	156
23	Kaczmarek, Brian T	137
24	Ferrigan, Anthony	62
	Comment, James	
	Rickard III, Calvin	

#### Expert Senior Men 30-34

1	James, Jim	1283
2	Johnson, Marty	1242
3	Gilliam, Mark	1209
4	Wojtala, John	1130
5	Steurer, Scott	972
6	Ersparmer, Darren	937
7	Scott, Todd	904
8	Sigety, R Reid	859
9	Anderson, Jon D	857
10	Ouvry, Kristopher	777
11	Jeffery, Christopher	601
12	Jones, Mike	566
13	Toth, Eric S	408
14	Heiss, Matt	340
15	Samson, Tim	323
16	Howard, Steve	293
17	Frailey, Mike	179
18	Walk, Brent	175
19	Carie, Marty	131

20	Strumberger, Tom	58
	Fedrigon Sr, Jim	
	Yenerich, Mike	

#### Expert Senior Men 35-44

1	Jurvelin, Don	1182
2	Hollis, Dave	1165
3	Cannon, Philip	1103
4	Heady, Doug	1093
5	Riege, Keith	1080
6	Fischer, Bill	1067
7	Wolowiec, Mark	1024
8	Wooldridge, Step. M	937
9	Stuber, Stu & Gail	819
10	Kessenich, Mike	595
11	Stanley, Joe	431
12	Watkins, Cullen	409
13	Alexander, Simon	320
14	Ference, Dave	135
15	Tripp, Lewis	94
16	Ricker, Jeff	64
17	Schoonover, Rick	57
18	Moore Sr, Gary	54
	Clark, Michael	
	McLaren, Bill	

#### Expert Senior Men 45 & Over

1	Fleming, Art	1251
2	Cook, Gary	1238
3	Alderson, Randy	1069
4	Jones, Thomas N	1065
5	Malarz, Richard	948
6	Smigiel, Steve	917
7	Kunnen, Jack	832
8	Greening, Tim	554

#### Expert/Elite Women

1	Deller, Jodi	1237
1	Lynch-Cook, Brenda	1237
3	Orman, Joan	1125
4	Alford, Nana	575
5	Buerman, Ann	571
6	Magee, J	480
7	Burford, Sherri	402
8	Harrington, Elise	352
9	Ventimiglia, Donna	266
10	Scott, Mary Ann	199
11	Sanchez, Margaret	181
12	Cuttitta, Joan	99
13	Meils, Lisa	83
	Grofvert, Anne	
	Huyck, Angela	
	Kennedy Morse, Vita	
	Leongas, Sophia	

#### Sport Grand Master Men 55 & Over

1	Nell, Thomas	621
2	Vandecar, Denny	600
3	Rice, LaVern A	550
4	Stearns, Don	460
5	Scheltema, David A	243

6	Anderson, Thomas R	63
7	Tobin, Patrick	52

#### Sport Junior Men 14 & Under

1	Camp, Kevin	619
2	Goddard, Nicholas	552
3	Pepper, Craig	539
4	Ward, Jesse	497
5	Yankus, Dan	416

#### Sport Junior Men 15-18

1	Tramontini, Mike	656
2	Kruszka, John	614
3	Reeves, Skyler	600
4	Hathaway, Tony	554
5	Vandermeer, David	403
6	Close, Michael	372
7	Kyser, Levi	352
8	Malzahn, Brian	338
9	Schmidt, Mark	271
10	Robrahn, Brandon	249
11	Betten, Andy	232
12	Dilland, David	194
13	Peacock, Ben	147
14	Wenberg, Andy	114
15	Follet, Paul	97
16	Tarnow, Aaron	52
17	Moore Jr, Gary	46
18	Buick, Peiter	38
	Anderson, Benjamin	
	Anderson, T J	
	Hoose, Michael	

#### Sport Master Men 45-54

1	Grondin, Paul	641
2	Needham Sr, Michael	633
3	Linden, Robert	585
4	Leale, David	553
5	McKnight, John R	480
6	Martus, David	464
7	Allen, Gordon	372
8	Patton, Cliff	348
9	Wenberg, Jim	297
10	Rogge, Richard	161
11	Kipp, Bob	149
12	Motowski, Mike	58
13	Tarnow, Michael	44
	Alles, Douglas H	
	Cardinal, Jay	
	Hatfield, Larry	
	Krist, Greg	
	Lombardi, George A	
	Moore, Hadley	
	Mutter, Lyle	

#### Sport Senior Men 19-24

1	Parker, Jamie	657
2	Makowski, Jarod	608
3	Carroll, Joshua	595
4	Kaiser, Erich	517

5	Hatton, Jason	501
6	Koetsier, Michael	412
7	Pooley, Kristopher	403
8	McGill, Scott	186
9	Kotchi, Kevin	181
9	Mohler, Josh	181
11	Hallifax, Travis	163
12	Franklin, Edward	127
13	Nowak, John	88
14	Cline, Chris	62
15	Holmes, William	40
	Cameron, Jason	
	Horton, Douglas D	
	Huls, Jason	
	Karrer, Brad	
	Lehmann, Steve	
	Loescher, Ben	
	McClelland, William	
	Patton, Scott	
	Thomas, Fred	
	Whalen, Teague	

**Sport Senior Men 25-29**

1	Cameron, Don	681
2	Kelly, Jay T	669
3	Tingley, Michael R	603
4	Cook, Eric	546
5	Weber, Rob	498
6	Gibbons, Patrick T	475
7	Heidmous, Mathew	474
8	Losey, Tod	381
9	Trout, Paul	373
10	Livingston, Noah B	336
11	Foshag, Robert	312
12	Viaene, Jeff	293
13	Kibler, Fred	285
14	Pekrul, Mike	233
15	Wadaga, Marc	179
16	Weymouth, Mark	166
17	Flood, Michael	138
18	Siegrist, Glenn	132
19	Selle, Robert Alan	121
20	Chaudhuri, Robin K	108
21	Jerris, Bradley	93
22	Shoots, Joseph	78
23	Kasten, Grant	74
24	Jones, Jason	65
25	Mcculloch, Richard	62
26	Roon, Jason	48
27	Lahousse, Shane	46
28	Weston, Mark	45
29	Knebl, John K	34

Boatright, Richard  
Caldwell, Ben  
Chase, John W  
Huber, Michael  
Kaufman, Kirk  
Matyas, Todd  
Sutcliffe, Eric J  
Wilkinson, Gordon  
Zacharek, Daniel D  
Zmich, Jeff

**Sport Senior Men 30-34**

1	Tryon, Jeff	684
2	Palmer, Scott	667
3	Grieve, Karl	645
4	Magle, Jerry	551
5	Roth, Frank	533
6	Christie, Douglas	531
7	Schneider, Joel	441
8	Vernon, Randy	404
9	Topolinski, Steve	355
10	Bartinicki, Chris	341
11	Schaub, Steve	289
12	Price, Steve	282
13	Barton, Jeffery Shawn	248
14	Munro, Monty	208
15	Vandecar, David	164
16	Hervela, Jeff	161
17	Kohn, Felipe	139
18	Nadeau, Dennis	119
19	Jurek, Daniel	104
20	Kreager, Alan	99
21	Zielinski, Thomas	83
22	Richmond, Michael	79
23	Morris, Jeffrey	76
24	Beard, Kurt	71
25	Destenano, Mark	70
26	Weber, Steve	45
	Barnes, Steven	
	Barnett, Michael N	
	Carlson, Joe	
	Jendrasek, Mark	
	Miller, Kip L	
	Smith Jr, James	
	Wester, Steven J	
	Westwood, Edward	

**Sport Vetran Men 35-44**

1	Bushong, Mick	760
2	Farnsworth, Terry	684
3	Cornell, Douglas	670
4	Ward, David	661
5	Martin, James	650
6	Chaffee, Steve	611
7	Punches, Richard	610
8	Myczkowiak, Jerry	543
9	Eddy, Ken	511
10	Lindhout, Bill	445
11	Walsh, Doug	444
12	Creed, Jeff	413
13	Buerman, Jeff	388
14	Hitt, Bruce	374
15	Engstrom, Dan	361

16	Johnson, Nick	353
17	Petts, Kevin	348
18	Steffey, Dave	346
19	Szarowicz, Tom	345
20	Klepetka, John M	305
21	Miller, Michael	301
22	Hendershott, Rick	295
23	Kowalczyk, John	286
24	Armstrong, Mark	284
25	Weiss, Jerry	265
26	Paschall, Jerry	258
27	Kelly, John P	255
28	Palazzolo, Vince	240
29	Rumph, Joe	233
30	Elerly, Ted	193
31	Weitzman, Jim	192
32	Jones, Jay	190
33	Whitehead, Kevin	180
34	Bruce, Patrick	152
35	Kosonovich, Dave	140
36	Slaughter, Eric	135
37	Montague, Steve	115
38	Voorhis, Jeff	112
39	Nivelt, Gary	92
40	Cross, Tom	63
41	Waters, Tim	55
42	McNabb, Eugene E	43
43	Boskee, Richard A	34
44	Myers, C Daniel	30
	Carlson, Mark	
	Garland, John	
	Johnson, Alan	
	Jurengen, David	
	Tuttle, Craig	
	Zieske, Paul	

**Sport Women 29 & Under**

1	Porta-Weymouth, L.	302
2	Bunting, Monika	185
3	Needham, Cathy	179
4	ONiel, Jennifer	173
5	Frenn, Susan	61
	Bauduk, Jules	
	Loks, Kim	

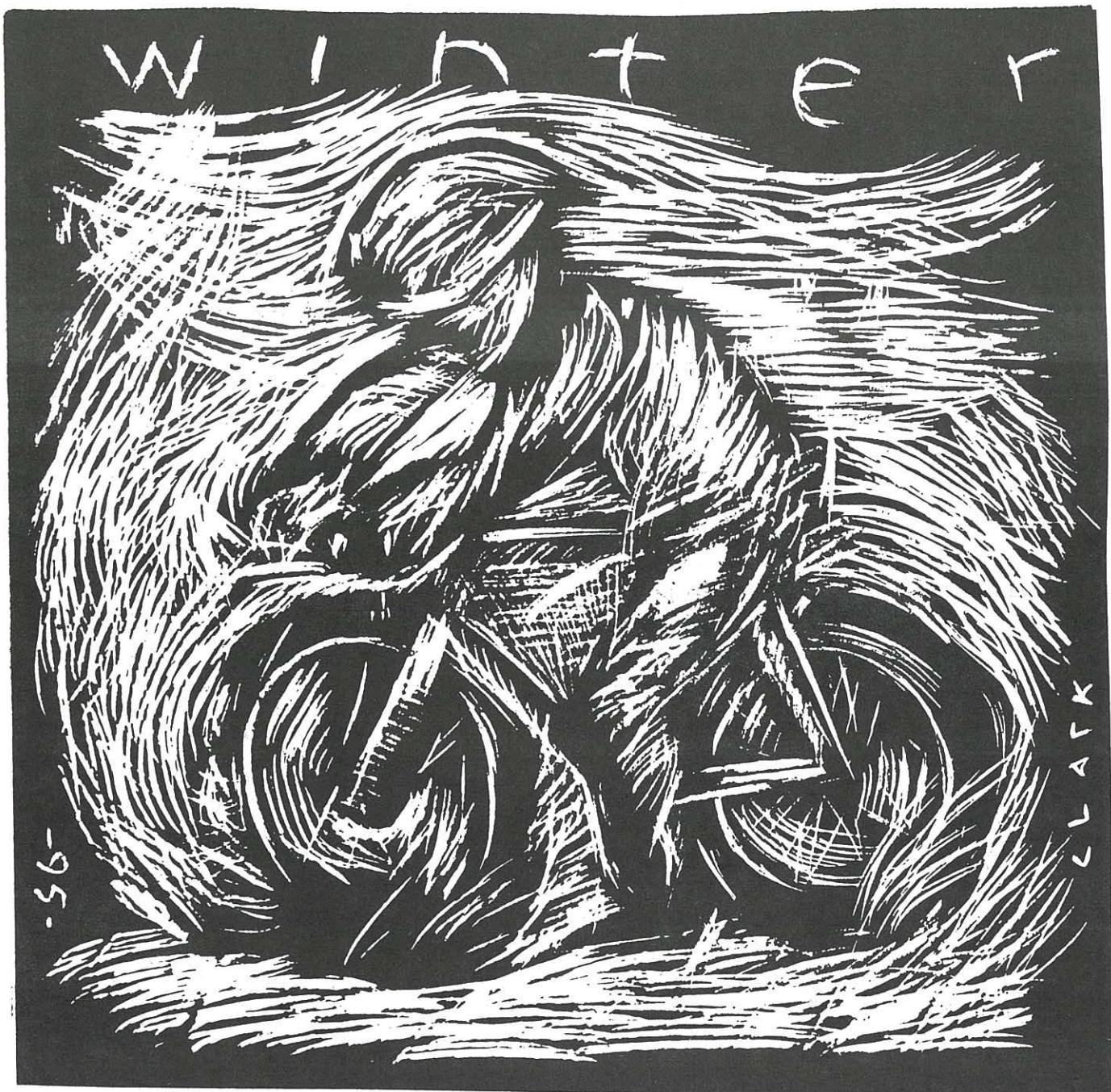
**Sport Women 30 & Over**

1	Magee, Julie	623
2	Wilson, Shelly L	592
3	Martin, Linda	583
4	Smith, Colleen	336
5	Bruce, Cynthia	174

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